Appl. No. 09/686,200

Attorney Docket No. 81790.0189

Amdt. Dated August 11, 2004

Customer No.: 26021

Reply to Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment (C.F.R.§ 1.121)

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

In response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment mailed March 18, 2004, the listing of claims has been amended to include all claims remaining in the application. Claims 1-5 were previously omitted from the listing. Claims 1-5 were originally allowed in USPN 5,818,249. Claims 6-12 were added in the reissue application. Claims 6-12 are amended by this paper and the arguments submitted on December 24, 2003. Claims 1-12 remain in the application.

Entrance of this listing of claims, along with the response and arguments filed on December 24, 2003, is respectfully requested.

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that the application is in condition for allowance. Reexamination and reconsideration of the application, as amended, are requested.

If for any reason the Examiner finds the application other than in condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned attorney at the Los Angeles, California telephone number (213) 337-6700 to discuss the steps necessary for placing the application in condition for allowance.

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Respectfully submitted,

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